

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10, SECTION 11.4 OF THE REVISED
GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE
(LICENSING OF CATS-PENALTY)**

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 10, Section 11.4 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby amended as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the fines set forth in Chapter 10, Section 11.4 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange (the “Township Code”) to be amendable by Resolution such that it is amendable in the future by approval of the Township Council, a necessity in an everchanging socioeconomic climate.

II. CHAPTER 10, SECTION 11.4 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

§10-11.4 BE AND HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

- The portion entitled “Penalty” which specifies the penalty for violating the licensing requirements that govern the ownership of a cat in the Township shall be repealed and replaced by the following language:

Except as otherwise provided in this section, any person who violates, or who fails or refuses to comply with this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a penalty ~~in an amount prescribed by Resolution, of not less than \$5 nor more than \$500 for each offense, except that for the first offense the penalty shall be not less than \$5 nor more than \$50.~~ Any person suspected of being a first offender shall receive a written warning that he/she will have 30 days to obtain a license and if no such license is obtained within that period a notice of violation will be issued.

III. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

IV. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

SUSAN MCCARTNEY, MAYOR

**TAMMY WILLIAMS,
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**KAREN J. CARNEVALE, R.M.C.
MUNICIPAL CLERK**

INTRODUCED: June 13, 2023

ADOPTED: July 11, 2023

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Legislative History

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the fines set forth in Chapter 10 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange to be subject to adjustment by Resolution.